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1. Chinese Communist supply depots for military aid to the Democratic Republic of Vietnam (DRV) are as follows:
 - a. Ch'inhsien (180-37, 21-58) depot. This depot is south of Ch'inhsien beside a temple on the eastern side of the Ch'inchiang. There are 28 warehouses with a total capacity for storing about 6,000 tons of supplies. Ammunition for mortars, machine guns, rifles, small arms, and artillery, which was shipped from Canton and Kuangchowwan, is stored there.
 - b. Nanning depot. This depot is east of Nanning, near the southern end of Ch'ihhsia (2776/7209) Mountain. There are 20 warehouses, arranged in several rows, about five meters apart. Each warehouse has a storage capacity of 60 tons. Mortar, rifle, and machine-gun ammunition is stored there pending shipment to Indochina.
2. The following ordnance depots in Indochina contain supplies furnished by the Chinese Communists:
 - a. Lang Son ordnance depot. This depot is at Chi Tinh (7741/0064), two kilometers northeast of Lang Son. Supplies are stored in 12 civilian houses, which were commandeered for the purpose. Each house holds from 20 to 40 tons of supplies. A total of about 300 tons of rifles, light and heavy machine guns, mortars, and various types of ammunition are usually stored there.
 - b. Cao Bang ordnance depot. This depot is one kilometer east of Cao Bang, on the northern side of the highway. Military supplies are stored in ten civilian houses.

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3. In early May there was an increase in the amount of supplies for the DRV passing through Hengyang (112-36, 26-54), junction town in Hunan and terminus of the Kwangsi-Hunan Railway. The shipments included trucks, gasoline, tires, pharmaceuticals, cement, uniforms, and foodstuffs.

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